

334 Garland Ave.,

Takoma Park, Md.,

Oct 24, 1927.

Dear Hotie:-

I shall not attempt the impossible, namely, to give adequate expression in words to our deep gratitude for your gracious assistance at such a time as this. Neither is it necessary to repeat, here, what I have written heretofore, either in rehashing the difficulties and handicaps of the past or in re-expressing possibilities and probabilities for the future. Tho I must say that you shall never have cause to regret being so great a help in time of trouble, and you shall never lose a penny for your most generous deed.

Vera is trying to write to you, but our hearts are so full, that neither of us can do it just like we want to.

Yesterday son ran a little ad in the Washington Star, which I am enclosing, and tonight he received a call from a man over on Connecticut Avenue, and has gone on his first trip to fix up a disgruntled radio. He is full of self-confidence, and seems to be growing in favor with his employer in the radio shop every day. He says, however, if he can get enough calls after work hours, he can make more in that way than he is now making on his regular little job.

We do not believe, for a moment anything else than that in a short time we will have all our financial embarrassments behind us, as bad as it now is. I am doing my best to reinstate myself financially before the arrival of your little niece, who is likely, now, to drop in on us at any minute, but I am afraid that she is going to beat me to it. In fact, we rather expected her last night, but she failed to show up.

Son seems to be intensely interested in his "little sister", as he calls her, and has already made several little purchases for her with dimes out of his own little savings. The purity of his little old boy-devotion to his little hopped-for sister is the sweetest thing imaginable.

I regret that Nettie seems so unyielding in a matter that cuts so deep in the heart. I am writing her tonight, a carbon copy of which you will find herein.

Sincerely, H. C. C.

Not that we want to take advantage, further, of your generosity toward ~~me~~, just when we need it so much, but because you, yourself, suggested it in your letter, I am naming a few needed articles, which we will have to have shortly. If you find it perfectly convenient to yourself to send to us any or all of these, be sure to send a bill with them---for, I just know, it can not be long before I can reimburse you for whatever amount this list shall call for, and refund the money that you have been so good as to let me have unless you shall prefer to adjust matters when and if you elect to buy my interest in papa's little estate, at---as I have written you before---at any figure that may be perfectly satisfactory to yourself.

6 yards outing
12 yards diaper cloth
1 baby sweater and blanket
3 pairs baby stockings
6 sheets and 6 pairs pillowcases, or just the cloth with which they can be made if they can get here before son's "little sister" comes.

Son will have to have a few shirts (13½ neck-size) and a pair of shoes (size 6) right away, and a sweater and another 2-pants suit before the winter is over (18-year size), but he can reach those, himself, by the time he has to have them, if he has no bad luck. He is shy, also, of underclothing, but he can manage this little matter also by the time he just has to have it.

Truly,

H. C. C.

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